GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
RAILWAYS
LOK SABHA

UNSTARRED QUESTION NO:5735
ANSWERED ON:30.08.2001
ELECTRIFICATION OF KHARAGPUR KARAKAVALASA RAIL LINE
BHARTRUHARI MAHTAB

Will the Minister of RAILWAYS be pleased to state:

(a) whether the Government had approved the electrification of Kharagpur- Karakavalasa Rail route via Cuttack, Bhubaneswar during the last many years;

(b) if so, the total amount allocated for the implementation of the schemes so far;

(c) whether the electrification work of the said route is progressing in slow pace;

(d) if so, the progress achieved so far; and

(e) the time by which electrification work is likely to be completed?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF RAILWAYS AND PARLIAMENTARY AFFAIRS (SHRI O. RAJAGOPAL)

(a) Yes, Sir.

(b) Section from Karakavalasa to Kottavalasa is already electrified.>From Kottavalasa to Kharagpur, the total amount spent upto March, 2001 is Rs.382.28 crores and allocation during the current year is Rs.40.30 crores.

(c) to (e) : No, Sir. The work is progressing as per schedule and targeted for completion by March, 2003.